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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed March 27, 2007, having a three-month shortened statutory period for reply set to expire on June 27, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 4 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 9 of this paper and include a new drawing sheet and replacement sheets.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.

Appendix A includes one new drawing sheet and two replacement drawing sheets, and is attached following page 18 of this paper.

Appendix B includes copies of a reference cited by Applicants in the Amendment and Response, and is attached following Appendix A.